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SUBJ: SWAPO "RECOGNITION" OF MPLA

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SWAPO CIRCULAR NOTE OF FEBRUARY 8,  
ADVISING OF SWAPO "RECOGNITION" OF MPLA:

QUOTE:

THE OBSERVER MISSION OF SWAPO OF NAMIBIA TO THE  
UNITED NATIONS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE PERMANENT  
MISSIONS AND PERMANENT OBSERVERS ACCREDITED TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
AND HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM THEM THAT SWAPO OF NAMIBIA HAS  
RECOGNIZED THE MPLA AS THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA AND  
OPENED THE WAY FOR FURTHER MUTUAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THEM.

DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO LUANDA, THE CAPITAL CITY OF  
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, COMRADE NUJOMA, PRESIDENT OF  
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SWAPO AND THE COMMANDER - IN - CHIEF, OF THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION

ARMY OF NAMIBIA, HELD SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH COMRADE,  
PRESIDENT AGOSTINHO NETO OF THE MPLA AND HIS SENIOR COLLEAGUES.  
AS A RESULT OF THESE CONSULTATIONS THE LONGSTANDING COMRADLY AND  
FRATERNAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE MPLA AND SWAPO WERE FURTHER  
CONSOLIDATED.

SWAPO OF NAMIBIA FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT THIS RECOGNITION  
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE MPLA WOULD NOT ONLY CONTRIBUTE IN A BIG  
WAY TOWARDS RESTORING PEACE AND TRANQUILITY AND END MISERY AND  
SUFFERINGS IN ANGOLA ITSELF BUT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE NEW OPPORTUNITIES  
FOR THE LIBERATION FORCES OF SWAPO WHICH ARE WAGING AN ARMED  
STRUGGLE AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA'S FASCIST - ILLEGAL RULE AND AGAINST  
WESTERN IMPERIALISM IN NAMIBIA.

THE OBSERVER MISSION OF SWAPO OF NAMIBIA TO THE UNITED  
NATIONS AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE  
PERMANENT MISSIONS AND PERMANENT OBSERVERS AT THE UNITED NATIONS  
THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

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